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**Navy R&D Briefing Security  
Classification**

1. [redacted] reviewed the attached memo on the Navy R&D briefing as requested. He indicated that your concern for proper security classification is valid because of certain gray areas and suggests a command decision is required.

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2. The Navy classified this presentation as SECRET and the summary reflected this. However, as we both know from our military experience, the Services tend to view differently the problem of security classification which they may give greater or less emphasis depending on individual considerations.

3. My recommendation is to classify this document as TOP SECRET because of the operational and special type information contained in sections such as the following: Page 7-Para 7, 8, 9; Page 10-Para 9; Page 13; Page 14-Para 13; Page 15; Page 16; Page 18-Para 15; and Page 19-Para 17.

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4. [redacted] points out there is no problem re Codeword classification. A TS classification will ensure greater protection and will not interfere with the distribution of these notes.

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